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SUBCOMMITTEE ON EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS

A. FDD Program on the USSR (nonscientific)

Below are given the subjects (as titles of reports when in quotation marks) covered in this program, the periodicity and format (report series) of the corresponding reports, the paragraphs of DCID 4/4, if any, to which each is related, and the estimated manpower employed in each.

In general, the sources used are 22 Soviet central and provincial general newspapers, and 14 specialized newspapers and 125 periodicals to the extent that the latter apply to each subject. Information on the USSR from non-Russian sources is also used as found in work on other areas. With the manpower available, monographs can be exploited only as required to meet specific requests or as found to be especially pertinent and valuable for items in the present program. Beyond this only bibliographic notations on selected ones are made to file for possible future reference.

| | | <u>Related to</u> <u>DCID 4/4</u> | <u>FDD</u> <u>Manpower</u> <u>Assigned</u> | |
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| I. Political | | | | |
| 25X9 | a. "USSR Territorial-Administrative Changes"; irregular OO-W. Changes in boundaries, place names, administrative subordination, administrative centers, etc. | | .25 | |
| 25X9 | b. "Index of [redacted] [redacted] Semiannual Reference Aid. An index of the Soviet official gazette of laws and decrees. | IIC | .2 | State no |
| | c. ^{25X9} "Contents and Monthly Guide from [redacted] (month, year)" Monthly limited-distribution (U-series) report: translation of the table of contents and the themes for the following month. | IIC | .1 | State no |
| | d. "Semiannual Report on Organization and Functions of USSR Ministries and Other Central Government Organizations." Probable title; Summary. First report scheduled for January, 1956. Reports will supplement separate basic reports on such organizations already issued or to be issued before that date. | IIC, d | 2.0 | |

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II. Sociological

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| a. "Semiannual Report on Education in the USSR"; Summary. Content of each is centered around some major aspect of Soviet education. | IIe | 1.0 |
| b. "Annual Report on Crime in the USSR"; Summary. | IIc | .3 |

III. Biographic

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| a. Information on: top party and government officials, generally of oblast level and above; heads of "mass organizations"; leading trade union, consumer and industrial cooperative, scientific and cultural figures. Sent as produced for reproduction and distribution on 5x8 cards. Sources: general newspapers and "Vedomosti". | IIc | 9.0 |
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IV. Military

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| 25X9 a. "Soviet Military Information From [redacted] and Other Publications"; Monthly Summary. Military personalities, official announcements concerning the military, military districts, army, navy and air force organizational units, schools, books, Dosaaf, editorial comments, summaries of articles of special interest. | IIf | 3.0 |
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V. Economic

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| a. "Data on USSR Extractive Industry". Bimonthly Summary. Fuels, metals and minerals (including metallurgy); chemical industry. | IIId, e | 3.0 |
| b. "USSR Agriculture, Weather, Forestry and Forest Products". Monthly Summary. | IIId | 2.0 |
| c. "Data on USSR Consumer Goods Industries". Bimonthly Summary. Manufactured goods, food products, fish, meat and dairy products, local industry and industrial cooperatives. | IIId | 1.0 |

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| d. "Transportation, Communications, Electric Power and Construction in the USSR". Monthly Summary. Includes railway equipment, and other than wire and radio communications media. | IId | 5.3 |
| e. Urban development. Irregular OO-W. | | .1 |
| f. "Changes in Soviet Foreign Trade Personnel". Quarterly OO-W. | | .25 |
| g. "Retail Trade in the USSR". Semiannual Summary. | IIfc | 1.0 |
| h. "Annual Report on the USSR Republic Budgets". Summary. | IId | .25 |
| i. "Semiannual Report on USSR Republic Plan Fulfillment". Summary | IId | .5 |
| j. Labor and manpower: productivity, wages, distribution, training. Irregular OO-W. | IId | .2 |
| k. Foreign trade. Irregular OO-W. | IIfb | .3 |
| l. Capital investment. Irregular OO-W. | IId | .1 |
| m. "Data on USSR Production of Industrial Equipment". Monthly Summary. Machine tools, motor vehicles, tractors and agricultural machinery; extraction, production and power machinery; construction, transport (except railway) and service equipment; electrical machinery; communications equipment; instruments. | Ic,IId,e | 7.0 |

VI. Geographic

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| a. Soviet activities in the Arctic and Antarctic. | Ia,d,IIfc | .7 |
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VII. Miscellaneous

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| a. Information for "Selected Briefs from the International Press" and "Science News Items". | | 1.0 |
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B. Eastern Europe (Albania, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Hungary, Poland, Rumania, Yugoslavia.)

I. Political

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a. Party Policy, Activities, and Organization

Legation dispatches and press summaries and FBIS reports provide good coverage of party policy and activities at national level, but little coverage of party organization. Practically no coverage of party journals on this subject.

FDD coverage generally limited to exploitation of newspapers for information at provincial and local levels, party problems in industry or on collective farms, criticism of writers and artists, etc. FDD also exploits party journals.

b. Government Policy, Activities, and Organization

Major matters of government policy, reorganizations, changes in top level personnel well reported in legation dispatches, press summaries, and by FBIS.

FDD reporting confined to levels below ministries.

c. Mass Organization

Little coverage of this subject by foreign legations or FBIS.

FDD's coverage limited to local organization, membership, and activities such as in factories and enterprises.

d. Foreign Relations

Well covered by legation dispatches, press summaries, and FBIS at top level. Some coverage by FBIS of relations at lower levels.

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FDD limits coverage to information on cultural relations, agreements, Satellite Red Cross aid, border commissions, and the like.

e. Activities of Satellite Leaders

Covered erratically by legation reports, press summaries, and FBIS.

FDD covers systematically in central and provincial press.

f. Internal Security

Little coverage by legation reports and press summaries. FBIS generally gives complete coverage of spy trials.

FDD systematically covers reports of anti-state acts, terrorist activities, sabotage acts, civil police activities, in Satellite, Western, and emigre publications.

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II. Sociological

- a. Population and Manpower
- b. Education, Religion, and Public Information
- c. Health and Sanitation
- d. Public Welfare

There is little coverage of sociological information except by FDD.

Legation dispatches, press summaries, and FBIS sporadically report statistics on these subjects at the national level. FDD coverage geared to reporting on regional or local situations, such as resettlement programs, shortages of manpower in agriculture or specific industries, university and technical school enrollments and graduates, local health facilities, etc.

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III. Economic

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- a. Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishing
- b. Chemical Industry
- c. Construction and Construction Materials Industry
- d. Consumer Goods and Domestic Trade
- e. Economic Structure
- f. Fuels and Power
- g. Geography
- h. Manufacturing Industries
- i. Minerals and Metals
- j. Transportation and Communication

Major developments in agriculture and industry are generally well covered by press summaries, legation reports, and FBIS summaries.

FBIS summaries provide compressed coverage of plan fulfillments, completion of new plants and installations, the opening of new transportation facilities, etc.

The Joint Intelligence Bureau covers significant articles in a limited number of satellite and some western publications for industrial and technological information.

FDD supplements the legation press summaries and FBIS summaries with more detailed coverage of information on agriculture and industry, such as reports on regional scarcities of agricultural machinery, seed shortages, peasant evasion of quotas, or reports on harvest conditions at the provincial level.

FDD provides full coverage of plan fulfillments, details of budgets, coverage of industrial plant equipment, processes, products, employees. New transportation facilities are covered, as well as types of rolling stock or ships employed, equipment used, bridges, topographic features on right of way.

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IV. Military

a. Personalities

Some coverage of key personalities by military attaché reporting. FDD provides the only other systematic coverage.

b. Editorials from Military Publications

Military attachés provide sporadic coverage of significant editorials in military publications. FDD provides the only other systematic coverage.

c. Nonmilitary Employment of Military Personnel

FDD provides the only systematic coverage.

d. Tactics, Weapons, Equipment, and Ships

Military attaché reporting appears to concentrate on these subjects. Coverage is sporadic.

[redacted] provides selected information on weapons, equipment, and ships from an exploitation of a limited number of Satellite and western publications. FDD provides the only other systematic coverage.

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e. Military and Naval Organizations, Units, Installations, and Districts

[redacted] covers military and naval organizations sporadically. FDD provides the only other systematic coverage.

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f. Military and Naval Schools, Training, and Sports

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g. Security Forces

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h. Paramilitary Organizations and Activities, and
Civil Defense

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